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FOR:	**Reliable Leader Election In Storage Area Network**		

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 14, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejection(s) of the claims in view of the remarks that follow.